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Georgiana Kennedy Simpson, Chair
San Juan County Library Board

To whom it may concern:

The City of Blanding believes our local library is part of the heart and soul of this community. Many years ago our City Fathers recognized the need to secure facilities for the education of our citizenry. Because of their foresight, our libraries, schools and other important municipal buildings were constructed at that time.

Now into the 21st century, we recognize the need to make our library into a more modern and better functioning educational center for the greater Blanding community. We must address fundamental issues in our library building such as roof repair, window replacement and updated heating and cooling systems. Currently, half of our library building is an unused meeting space that will serve us much better as a children's library. Our library patrons require a rejuvenated learning environment which better serves their family's needs, allows for the increasing demand for computer services, and allows for the expansion of our various media collections.

With these needs in mind, the City of Blanding fully supports the San Juan County Library Board in their application for a Department of Community and Culture Capital Facilities Grant. Thoughtful partnerships will allow all of us to achieve our objective of providing the best library service to both citizens and visitors of San Juan County.

Respectfully,

Chris Webb, City Manager
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